

Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary

Application No.

09/232,049

Applicant(s)

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Examiner

William C. Vaughn, Jr.

Art Unit

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All Participants:

(1) William C. Vaughn, Jr., Examiner.

(2) Thomas J. Bean, Reg. No. 44,528.

Status of Application: Non-Final

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Date of Interview: 22 December 2004

Time: _____

Type of Interview:

☒ Telephonic

☐ Video Conference

☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, provide a brief description:

Part I.

Rejection(s) discussed:

Yes

Claims discussed:

1-8

Prior art documents discussed:

Translation of Hisayoshi, JPO 6-303288 and abstract of JP 3-211647

Part II.

SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:

See Continuation Sheet

Part III.

☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.

☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.


(Examiner/SPE Signature)

(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: The Examiner contacted Applicant's representative Mr. Bean regarding application #09/232,049. The Examiner indicated that applicant's response to the 35 USC 112, 2nd paragraph was sufficient enough to overcome the rejection. However, it was the Examiner's position that in reevaluating JPO 6-303288, U.S. Patent No. 5,519,867 and the abstract of JP 3-211647, that rejection of the claims used by the first two prior records still applied. The Examiner further indicated the the claims were not specific enough to overcome the previous rejection and that the rejection would be reapplied. The Examiner also stated that further responses to applicant's arguments would also be brought forth by the Examiner. The Examiner indicated that further narrowing of the claims (i.e., racing control table as well as analyzing, translation of received commands in order to generate internal commands, registering command, see pages 9-15). Mr. Bean indicated that he would have to consult with the client regarding any type suggestions. And would response once and office action is received. the Examiner also stated that Japanese Patent 3-211647, which included only the abstract being translated, possibly read upon the claims. The Examiner would be submitting the complete Japanese patent for complete English translation and would discuss this with Applicant's representative once it has been translation.